

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**The Maryland Department of Natural Resources**  
**Fishing and Boating Services**  
***Partial Opening of Public Shellfish Fishery Area 81— Effective 1/16/18***

The Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources, pursuant to the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 08.02.04.11E, announces that the previously closed section of Public Shellfish Fishery Area (PSFA) 81 will be open to oyster harvest effective January 16, 2018 through March 31, 2018. This area was previously closed by public notice December 11, 2017. The area is described below and will be marked by buoys. The opening was requested by the Queen Anne's County oyster committee due to icing conditions. PSFAs are described in "Public Shellfish Fishery Areas of the Chesapeake Bay and Its Tidal Tributaries (June 2012)", which is incorporated by reference in COMAR 08.02.04.17.

Special Harvest Conditions for This Area: No more than three bushels of oysters per licensee per day and six bushels of oysters per boat per day may be taken from this area or in possession while actively engaged in oyster harvest in this area.

All other rules remain in effect.

For any questions or comments contact Frank Marengi, Shellfish Division at 410-260-8302.

Well Cove (PSFA 81 (NOB 7-4): Eastern Bay)

All the waters of the Eastern Bay enclosed by a line beginning at a point defined by Lat. 38°57.634' N, Long. 76°14.404' W, then running 269° True to a point defined by Lat. 38°57.633' N, Long. 76° 14.570' W, then running 339° True to a point defined by Lat. 38°57.802' N, Long. 76°14.651' W, then running 89° True to a point defined by Lat. 38°57.804' N, Long. 76°14.501' W, then running 156° True to the point of beginning.

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